

GOVERNMENT OF ZAMBIA

STATUTORY INSTRUMENT No. 29 of 2023

The National Heritage Conservation Commission Act
(Laws, Volume 12, Cap 173)**The National Heritage Conservation Commission**
(Chembe Island) (National Monument) (Declaration)
Order, 2023

IN EXERCISE of the powers contained in section 27 of the National Heritage Conservation Commission Act, the following Order is made:

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| 1. This Order may be cited as the National Heritage Conservation Commission (Chembe Island) (National Monument) (Declaration) Order, 2023. | Title |
| 2. The heritage described in the Schedule is declared a national monument. | Declaration of national monument |

SCHEDULE
(Paragraph 2)

CHEMBE ISLAND

LOCATION

The site together with its associated islands is situated in Chembe District in Luapula Province on the Luapula River which forms a common border with the Democratic Republic of Congo. The main island is found a few meters northwest of the Mwanawasa Bridge. The site is situated at approximately 12.410030°S, 29.370325°E and covers a landmass of 7.01 square kilometres.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The site together with the other islands on the Zambian side complemented with those on the Democratic Republic of Congo side form part of the largest island system on the Luapula River. The site is one of the largest islands on the Luapula River and wholly located on the Zambian side. The islands represent the mature stage of a river as depicted in the ox-box lake formation processes. Thus, it is representative of a mature stage of a river and signifies important on-going fluvial geomorphic processes in the history of the formation of the earth in a river channel. The site is one of the most unique geomorphological features representing active geomorphological processes. The islands have characteristic riverine vegetation which support some avian species and play an important ecological role in the micro-ecosystem. The site is a perfect example of an open laboratory for earth scientific and ecological research.

BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The boundary of the site starts from Point A (28°41'37.22"E, 11°58'5.4"S) further north of the northern bank of Luapula River and on the Zambian side and trends in an easterly direction for 4.781 kilometres to Point B (28°44'10.95"E, 11°58'37.84"S) near Chembe Pedicle Road; thence in a southerly direction for 845 metres to Point C (28°43'49.92"E, 11°58'53.84"S); thence in a southerly direction following the Chembe Bridge to an international boundary at Point D (28°43'50.05"E, 11°59'6.58"S) on the Zambia-Democratic Republic of Congo international boundary and in a westerly direction up to Point E (28°41'26.67"E, 11°58'35.89") on the international boundary before trending in a northerly direction for approximately 982 metres to Point A, the starting point.

The described area is shown on a plan marked red, signed by the Surveyor-General and deposited in the office of the Surveyor-General and the National Heritage Conservation Commission, Lusaka.

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